

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**  
**(Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
B588-042 (25815.044)

In Re Application Of: Satoru Wakao, et al.

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
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Invention: **DIGITAL SIGNATURE GENERATING APPARATUS, METHOD, COMPUTER PROGRAM AND COMPUTER-READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM**

**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 20, 2008 in the above-identified application.  
*Date*

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month    ☒ Two months    ☐ Three months    ☐ Four months    ☐ Five months

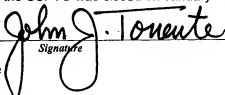
from: November 20, 2008    until: January 20, 2009\*  
*Date*    *Date*

The fee for the extension of time is \$490.00 and is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ Payment in the amount of \$490.00 is hereby made by Electronic Funds Transfer.
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-3415
- ☒ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 03-3415
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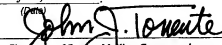
  
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